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Grasses That Have Proven Successful

Experiment Station Has Tested out
Some Valuable Varieties and Is
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In connection with the seed distribution being made by the Hawaii experiment station, through its Haiku sub-station, at the present time, the following description of various grasses which have proven successful, should be of interest. The seed of these grasses are available by applying to F. G. Krauss, superintendent in charge of the station at Haiku, Maui.

Forage and Pasture Grasses.
A commendable interest is being shown by our farmers and stockmen in the introduction of new grasses. The Hawaii Experiment Station has done much to encourage the planting of new varieties. The following brief list covers well tested varieties which are recommended for trial by those not yet being familiar with them. (Note: See Bul. No. 30, Haw. Agri. Exp. Sta. entitled "Grasses and Forage Plants of Hawaii.") The Hawaii Experiment Station at Honolulu has established an extensive grass garden where a good idea may be obtained of the characteristics of a large variety of economic grasses.)

Sudan Grass.
Few grasses, either for soiling or pasture have met with greater favor than this new grass. It is closely related to Johnson Grass, but is devoid of the underground stems so difficult to eradicate in the latter variety. It yields five or more cuttings per annum and produces a succulent and palatable forage suitable for all kinds of stock. At Haiku an original planting has persisted into its third year. Under conditions favorable for curing it may be made into an excellent hay. It is doubtless well suited for silage. As a soiling crop it should be planted in rows two to three feet apart like sorghum. It responds to frequent cultivation. Likewise to irrigation during the drier seasons of the year. It will pay to manure or fertilize after the first year. Five to ten pounds seed will be required to plant an acre when sown in drills. If wanted for hay or pasture close drilling or broadcasting at the rate of two to twenty pounds of seed to the acre is desirable. The crop should be cut when in the "milk stage." If left until it is too mature it may rust badly and the vitality of the plant be lowered.

Uba or Japanese Cane.
This is a small stemmed true sugar cane. It thrives especially well at Haiku and has yielded heavy crops of palatable forage suitable for cattle, work mules and horses. The cane should be cut three or four times per annum to avoid stems becoming too hard for mastication. When shredded the stock will eat the entire plant. Recommended especially for wet, windy locations. When once established it requires little care although it responds to deep and thorough cultivation. The cane cuttings should be planted end to end in the bottom of shallow furrows four or five feet apart.

Giant Bermuda Grass.
This is comparatively a new grass and was recently introduced by the Hawaii Experiment Station from Florida. It may be termed a very large type of Bermuda Grass, our common "Manienie." While it is much coarser and ranker growing than the common Bermuda it is much relished by all kinds of live stock including horses, mules, cattle and swine. It will out-yield common Manienie three to five times under like conditions. While primarily a pasture grass it gives promise of producing a valuable hay under conditions where it can readily be cured. It should not be planted where it is likely to become a pest as it spreads rapidly. It is less tenacious than Manienie because of its fewer and coarser stems. Plant the roots or cuttings three by three feet or more apart. It will carpet the ground within two or three months when conditions are favorable. It then assumes an upright growth and may be pastured or cut for hay within six months after planting.

Paspalum Dilatatum.
Doubtless one of the best pastures grasses ever introduced into Hawaii. While not a new grass to Hawaii stockmen, it deserves a wider distribution than exists at present. The difficulty often experienced in starting the grass from seed has induced the Extension Division to distribute roots from which the grass may easily be established. Especially suited to wet districts. It responds to a high state of fertility and tillage. Under such treatment it makes a splendid soiling crop and is much relished by young stock. It is a typical bunch grass and should be planted from 2 1/2 by 2 1/2 to 5 feet apart.

Great Game Brings Victory to Saints.

Chinese Lose Championship By
Narrow Margin.—Final Game Was
a Hummer.

The special series for the championship of the first series ended last Sunday with the Saints claiming the victory. The game was the most exciting one of the series and the fans of both teams were up in the air most of the time.

Manager Sam Alo sent his "Celestial Hopes" up to bat first but Sterling found their weak points and they were handed blanks during the 1st and 2nd innings.

The Saints had no better success during the 3rd and 4th at the hands of Equing, the slasher from Pauko. But during the 5th, Akekihi hit safe and reached third on errors of first and second basemen. Catcher Antone "Paakai" then let a ball pass while Abe scored first run for the Saints.

Both teams failed to do anything in the 6th. But in the 7th for the Chinese. Miner hit safe for a two-bagger to rightfield and then scored from third when Equing sacrificed. This tying of the score put the backers of both teams on their feet and excitement was at fever heat in the grandstand and bleachers. Both teams again blanked during the 8th; but J. Enos walked for the Chinese in the 9th, and reached 2nd and 3rd on a wild throw of Catcher Pomba, and scored on Kaoni's grounder. In their half of the 7th, Pomba of the Saints scored when Kaoni tried to play rings around the initial sack on Sterling's grounder. Catcher Antone "Paakai" then got rattled and allowed F. Correa to score from third on a passed ball.

This proved fatal to the Chinese who unable to change the situation in the 8th and 9th and lost the game by the close score of 3 to 2.

The second series will be open next Sunday with the Waikapus and St. Anthony's up for the first game at 1 p. m., and the Chinese and Asahis for the second at 3 p. m.

Score by innings:
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Chinese 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 —2
Saints 0 0 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 —3
The Batteries: Chinese—Equing-Do Rego. Saints—Sterling and Kee-hu-Pomba.
Umpire—Geo. H. Cummings.
Scorer—E. Bal.

Entered of Record

Deed.

WAIKALOA KAHOE (k) to Territory of Hawaii; int in 1.60 A of Kul 3336, Kulaha, Makawao, Maui. Dec 9, 1915. \$1.

KALEIOPU (k) to Winnifred Saffery; int in 1-2 of share in hui land R P 1663, Mailepai, Kaanapali Maui. Jan 12, 1916. \$5.

KANOE KUKAHAA (w) to Winnifred K Saffery; int in share in hui land R P 1166, Kaanapali, Maui. Jan 11, 1916. \$5.

MRS LUKA KAUHAAHAA to Tre of East of H P Baldwin; int in 1-2 int in Aps 1, 2 & 3 of R P 4698, Kul 4268 Kahana, Kaanapali, Maui. Dec 27, 1915. \$450.

HALEAKALA RANCH CO to Manuel Estazo; Lot 10 of Haleakala Ranch Homesteads, Makawao, Maui. Oct 19, 1915. \$530.

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Those Who Travel

Arrived.

By str. Claudine, Jan. 15.—Mrs L C Hillmer, A F Wall, Mr and Mrs George H Vickers, Mrs C J Boggs, L P Smith, Mrs Smith, E Kopke, E A Berndt, George Angus, A P Taylor, W A Baldwin, C A Franz, W Hoogs, Mr and Mrs H Pitchford and two infants, L M Cummings, John Rogers, E C Moore, Mr and Mrs F A Clowes, Mr and Mrs Nozima, W C Crook, J Ferreira.

Departed.

By str. Claudine, Jan. 15.—A V Peters, Yamaguchi, Geo Smithies, K Mijake, S A Baldwin, Mrs Ralston, Miss Groves, Mr Nielson, E Townsend, Mrs Chung, Miss Chung, R Kiuohara, E Murphy, I Koshinoki, Miss Kingsbury, J M Cummings, H Sessibug, Leslie Scott.

By str. Mikahala, Jan. 15.—Mrs R E Hagemann and infant, E Kopke, S Kanazaki, P J Moranzhan, Mrs W Aalbond, Miss L Devauchelle, H Devauchelle, Geo P Cooke and wife, Judge A Lindsay, wife and infant, Miss B Lindsay.

How Yucatan Gets Its Water.
In Yucatan the people depend for their water supply chiefly on what are known as "cenotes," or subterranean reservoirs, fed by hidden underground lakes or a network of water courses. Some of these are so near the surface that the soil has given way and left a surface pond or reservoir; others again are reached only by powerful pumps or a system of ladders by which the women descend into enormous caverns or traverse narrow galleries to fill their jars from the hidden springs, and in some cases the entrance to these deep caverns is a considerable distance from the nearest village or farm. Sometimes a crust of rock if left over such a "cenote," with an aperture through which the daylight reaches the cavern, forming a real grotto, with stalactites and stalagmites of considerable beauty.

Nearly all of the ancient cities and modern towns and haciendas are located near some one of these subterranean water caverns.—Charles Winslow Hall in National Magazine.

Was It For Him?

Blithers and Smithers were neighbors. They were friends before they became neighbors. The enmity started by Blithers' boy pushing Smithers' kid off a high picket fence and nearly breaking his young neck. Then Smithers killed four of Blithers' chickens. After that they glared at each other like a couple of horse thieves.

Blithers hired a colored man to mow his lawn. Rastus threw the grass over the fence into Smithers' yard.

"Hey, you!" yelled Smithers. "What in thunder are you doing?"

Rastus blinked.

"Das foh yo' mool, mister," he smiled.

"Mule!" roared Smithers. "I ain't got no mule!"

Rastus stared.

"Ain'tcha?" he gasped. Then he scratched his head. "Das funny," he added. "De gemman what lib here say de grass foh de jackass next' doh!"—Judge.

Too Many Books in 1600.

In bewailing the fact that too many books are published Mr. Heinemann echoes a complaint made over three centuries ago. Barnaby Riche, in his preface to "A New Description of Ireland," published in 1600, writes: "One of the diseases of this age is the multitude of books that doth so overcharge the world that it is not able to digest the abundance of idle matter that is every day hatched and brought into the world, that are as divers in their forms as their authors be in their faces. It is but a thriftless and thankless occupation, this writing of books. A man were certainly better to sit singing in a cobbler's shop, for his pay is certainly a penny a patch! But a book writer, if he get sometimes a few commendations of the judicious, he shall be sure to reap a thousand reproaches of the malicious."—London Chronicle.

A Masterpiece in Fragments.

Dr. Ohnefalsch-Richter, the famous antiquarian, writing in the Pall Mall Magazine on the ancient civilization of Cyprus, describes the chance discovery of a vase of the fourth century B. C. which ranks as one of the finest examples of ancient art ever found. "It first escaped the eyes of my workmen altogether," he writes, "when I accidentally found a single fragment in the earth dug out of a tomb. After a good haphazard had been promised for each delivered fragment I succeeded in finding the whole vase with the exception of one small bit and in gluing together with my own hands the sixty-eight pieces and thus obtained the masterpiece of art." Today it has a place of honor in the British museum among the collection of Attic vases of the best period.

Java's Teak Forests.

Teak forests in Java cover 1,480,000 acres, and, as the area reforested is two and a half times as large as the area felled in a given time, this magnificent stock of timber is continually increasing. A pest of the Java teak plantation is alang grass (Imperata arundinacea). In order to prevent the incursion of this plant, as hoeing is too expensive, the foresters sow a leguminous plant, lucerna glauca, between the rows of teak seedlings. This chokes the alang, keeps the soil clean and enriches the soil in humus and nitrogen, and ultimately disappears with the increase of the forest cover.

Uncle Sam's Mints.

The various mints of the United States are located as follows: New Orleans, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Denver and Carson City. Each mint is directly in charge of a superintendent, the whole system being looked after by a board of directors, who are responsible to the federal government.

Sealed Orders.

Bachelor Uncle—Well, Frankie, what do you want now? Frankie—Oh, I want to be rich. Uncle—Rich? Why? Frankie—Because I want to be petted, and ma says you are an old fool, but must be petted because you are rich, but it's a great secret, and I mustn't tell.

Of Course He Does.

"Logical sequence, anyway."
"How now?"
"First a man feathers his nest; then he plumes himself."—Kansas City Journal.

Scholarship.

The scholar is more inclined to inquire than to affirm. He is more ready to ask, "What do you think?" than to say, "I know."—C. F. Thwing.

Think of ease, but work on.—George Herbert.

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